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TOWN AND COUNTRY

About Local People and Events and Other Matters of Interest

Seed oats for sale by H. M. Standly.

Z. R. Kling has a few ricks of hay for sale.

Wanted: One good work mare. W. S. Savage.

Half Jersey heifer calf for sale by F. W. Burke.

Seed sweet corn for sale by J. B. Chapman, Laclede.

When looking for an Easter hat go to Laura Love's.

License tax 74920 has been lost. Finder please notify Power Garage.

A 200-egg "Wooden Hen" incubator and a garden plow for sale by W. R. Barton.

Jewelry for men, women and children at cost price at Laura Love's.

Eggs from purebred Plymouth Rocks, 75 cents per setting. Mrs. Harry Landree, phone 91.

Purebred Barred Plymouth Rock eggs for hatching 75 cents per setting. J. G. Clinefelter.

The residence of Mrs. J. C. Fletcher was wired and placed on the electric light service this week.

Friday is the last day to pay your electric light bill for February and get the 10 per cent discount.

Mary Miles Minter in "Charity Castle," five reels and a comedy, is the program at the local theatre for Saturday night.

Your scrap iron is worth 60 cents per hundred if you bring it in by next Saturday at which time F. M. Alexander loads a car.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will meet with Mrs. R. T. Patterson next Tuesday afternoon, March 19. Everybody welcome.

Taylor Weaver was over from his farm home Tuesday and reports, he has everything about moved in good shape. He is on route two out of St. Catherine.

Am paying 60 cents for scrap iron and \$1.25 per hundred for rags. Bring in all you have at once. Will load out next Saturday. F. M. Alexander.

The McVey-Barclay Dry Goods Company of Chillicothe has a new advertisement in THE BLADE today. This firm is making an attractive bid for the wallpaper trade from this locality.

BENSON BANKING COMPANY

No. 1590.
Official statement of the financial condition of the Benson Banking Company at Laclede, State of Missouri, at the close of business on the 4th day of March, 1918, published in the LACLEDE BLADE, a newspaper printed and published at Laclede, State of Missouri, on the 15th day of March, 1918.

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts undoubtedly good on personal or collateral	\$ 35,102.10
Loans, real estate	21,050.00
Bonds and stocks	4,000.00
Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check	28,069.42
Cash items	1,427.85
Currency	1,324.00
Specie	1,025.03
War Savings Stamps	634.90
Treasury Certificates	10,602.00
Total	\$113,233.30

LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 10,000.00
Surplus fund	7,500.00
Undivided profits, net	784.35
Individual deposits subject to check	91,870.45
Demand certificates of deposits	3,878.57
Total	\$113,233.30

State of Missouri, County of Linn, ss:
We, E. E. Benson as president, and E. E. Benson acting as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

E. E. BENSON, President.
E. E. BENSON, Acting Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 12th day of March, A. D. nineteen hundred and eighteen.

Witness my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid. (Commissioned and qualified for a term expiring Oct. 23, 1919.)
(SEAL) O. F. LIBBY, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:
L. L. BENSON,
E. C. BENSON,
S. T. B. HOWARD,
Directors

Missionary Meeting

Mesdames Etta Forman, M. F. Clay, H. Landree, A. V. Moore, J. C. Fletcher and Miss Anna Ransom were hostesses to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society at the home of Mrs. Forman on Wednesday afternoon of last week. A most interesting program was given, it being the special quarterly meeting.

The instrumental and vocal solos by Miss Kathryn Harter and Miss Elsie Winkelmeyer were much appreciated and highly enjoyable features of the afternoon.

This was the first of a series of meetings to be held once a quarter and was a decided success, several new members being enrolled. The attendance was large.

During the afternoon the assembly was again reminded that this is the boyhood home of the great American general, John J. Pershing, when Mrs. W. R. Barton produced a card bearing the following:

1859 MR. and MRS. JOHN F. PERSHING cordially invite yourself and lady to be present at their TWENTY-FIFTH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY Saturday Evening, March 22, 1884, Laclede, Missouri.

The invitation was printed in silver and in the one corner was embossed a spinning wheel so common in the homes of '59. Mrs. Barton and Mrs. J. C. Fletcher were the only ones present who had attended the wedding anniversary, which was a notable event of that time.

Refreshments were served by the hostesses, and on adjournment the Ladies Aid Society held a short but busy session.

P. E. O. Officers

Mrs. F. W. Burke entertained Chapter R of P. E. O. on Wednesday afternoon with a large number of members in attendance. After the usual business session the annual election of officers was held, the following being installed for the ensuing year:

Miss Emma Gould, president; Mrs. Eunice Burke, vice president; Miss Edith Hamilton, recording secretary; Miss Ella Ong, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Lola Lomax, treasurer; Mrs. Abbie Gould, chaplain; Miss Roxana Rankin, guard; Mrs. Edith Moore, journalist.

Mrs. Flossie Hamilton was elected delegate to the state convention with Mrs. Edith Moore, alternate.

Choice baled timothy hay for sale by Power & Higgins by the ton or bale. Apply to either party.

LOMAX & STANDLY BANK

No. 1857.
Official statement of the financial condition of the LOMAX & STANDLY BANK at Laclede, State of Missouri, at the close of business on the 4th day of March, 1918, published in the LACLEDE BLADE, a newspaper printed and published at Laclede, State of Missouri, on the 15th day of March, 1918.

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts, undoubtedly good on personal or collateral	\$ 86,354.07
Loans, real estate	25,905.00
Overdrafts	765.52
Bonds and stocks	27,350.95
Cash items (banking house)	1,500.00
Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check	133,397.01
Cash items	201.42
Currency	8,243.00
Specie	532.92
Gold coin	105.00
Total	\$279,394.90

LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 15,000.00
Surplus fund	3,000.00
Undivided profits, net	1,492.04
Individual deposits subject to check	207,772.35
Total	\$279,394.90

State of Missouri, County of Linn, ss:
We, H. C. Lomax as president, and H. W. Lomax as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

H. C. LOMAX, President.
H. W. LOMAX, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 12th day of March, A. D. nineteen hundred and eighteen.

Witness my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid. (Commissioned and qualified for a term expiring Oct. 23, 1919.)
(SEAL) O. F. LIBBY, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:
E. M. LOMAX,
WALTER BROWNLEE,
H. C. LOMAX,
Directors

ON LOCAL SUBJECTS

Local Items and Interesting Bits of News of All Sorts

E. B. Allen on Tuesday bought the Cavanaugh farm southwest of town from Mrs. Ed. Suits and John Culleton of Brookfield who inherited it from the late Jas. Cavanaugh. There is a fraction over 100 acres in the farm and Mr. Allen bought it as an investment.

Mrs. Catherine Fruin has received word that her son Jerry who enlisted from here in the aviation corps, arrived safely in France. Jerry is a fine young man and his many friends know he will make a good record in the service and hope to see him return safely to home and friends.

"The Fate of Pilate," is the subject for the Sunday morning service in the series of Easter sermons being delivered by the pastor, Rev. T. E. Sisson, at the M. E. church. Dr. English, district superintendent, will preach at 7:30 Sunday evening. Sunday school at 9:45 in the morning and Epworth League at 6:45 in the evening.

C. F. Sayles, township collector, made his final settlement with the county court last week. Mr. Sayles made a fine record, collecting 99.8 of all the taxes due from this township. There was no delinquent land tax, all unpaid taxes being on personal property. It was the best collection in the county with but one exception, that of Grantsville township where 100 per cent was collected.

Of course there is plenty of time yet to plant a garden but it is entirely too late for an early garden. The editor planted lettuce and radishes last Saturday, peas, onions and potatoes Monday and has cabbage plants half large enough to transplant. For years Neighbor Bigger has been the first to start garden operations in the spring but this season we beat him to it by at least 30 minutes.

The two local banks publish their official financial statements in THE BLADE today, called for by the state banking department. Both show a big increase over the statements of last November, the deposits increasing nearly \$100,000.00. The loans, however, are no heavier, everybody in this locality seeming to have plenty of money without calling on the banks. It certainly reflects a healthy financial condition among our people.

The attendance at the poultry meeting at the city hall Monday morning was rather slim but it was a good meeting. Ralph L. Mason, representing the agricultural department in the United States poultry campaign, made a good talk, distributed some bulletins and there was much interest shown by those present. Poultry furnishes a great opportunity to increase the food supply and there are many ways by which it can be made more profitable than ever before.

C. C. Bigger went to Hannibal yesterday.

Reading Circle Meeting

Mrs. W. E. [Name] was hostess to the Reading Circle Tuesday evening. A large number responded at roll call with current events. Mrs. A. J. Caywood was leader of the study from "America In Ferment," chapter 4, "Blood of the Nation." She was assisted by Mrs. O. A. Potter whose lesson was from "The Bay View Magazine," "Wilford Wilson Gibson." Both lessons were nicely given.

Miss Kathryn Harter entertained with some excellent music.

During the social part of the evening the hostess served a delectable luncheon, being assisted by Miss Georgia Loesa Welsh and Miss Frances Talbott.

The guests were Mrs. P. F. Weaver, Mrs. Harry Hall, Mrs. Allie Harter, Mrs. C. B. Talbott, Misses Kathryn Harter, Georgia Loesa Welsh and Frances Talbott.

Next regular meeting with Mrs. O. A. Potter, Mrs. E. R. Barton, leader of the study.

Epworth League Officers

The Epworth League of the M. E. church was re-organized at a meeting held at the church Wednesday evening at which there was a good attendance and much interest taken.

The new officers are H. C. Carothers, president; Mrs. H. D. Hall, first vice president; Miss Lillian Sensintaffar, second vice; Miss Ellen Garside, third vice; Mrs. Max Jones, fourth vice; Raymond Garside, secretary; Lee Landree, treasurer; Miss Beatrice Harter, pianist.

The following splendid program has been arranged for the meeting next Sunday evening to begin at 6:45:

Song 73.
Song 94.
Roll call.
Vocal solo, Miss Winkelmeyer.
Lesson, "Making the Most of Ourselves."

Instrumental duett, Misses Beatrice Harter and Ellen Garside.
Song 212.

Leader, X. Y. Z. White.
All young people, and the older ones as well, are invited to attend, join the league, and take an interest in the work that means so much to the community.

Local and Personal

A girl baby was born the past week to Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Lippitt at Meadville and a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Tooley at Brookfield, both mothers being former Laclede girls.

Rev. T. E. Sisson attended the M. E. conference at Brookfield Tuesday and took part in formulating plans for the campaign to create an endowment for Missouri Wesleyan college.

The revival meetings at the Christian church are still in progress and expect to continue thru the week. Pastor Siegel is being assisted by Evangelist Brown and the attendance and interest is on the increase. All are cordially invited.

The following from here attended the Bishop Quayle lecture at Brookfield Tuesday night: Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bigger, Wm. Lomax, Mrs. Etta Forman, Mrs. A. V. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Landree, Misses Cora and Cassie Heath, Nellie Barber, Mary Brower and Ellen Garside, and Lee Landree, Raymond Garside and Willie Landree, Mrs. S. M. Brown and son, Jerome.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Brief Mention of Those Who Come and Go During the Week

Mrs. C. S. Mahurin of Brookfield spent Tuesday in Laclede.

Laclede lost a good family this week when J. L. Welsh removed to Chillicothe.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Harter of Clay township, spent Sunday with Mrs. Allie Harter.

Mrs. Viola Balsbaugh of Holbrook, Nebr., is here visiting her sister, Mrs. J. T. Cushing.

Dr. H. H. Bonds attended the dental association meeting at Brookfield last Saturday evening.

Harry Boyles and family of near Linneus were Sunday guests of A. J. Harter and family east of town.

Mrs. Effie Deisner of Brookfield spent the weekend with her father, W. S. Mahurin and family on route one.

Mrs. J. W. Haight and daughter Mrs. Grace Barber of Brookfield spent Saturday afternoon with Laclede friends.

Mrs. Josephene Rummell of Columbia is here for a visit with her sister, Mrs. W. R. Barton, and Mr. Barton.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lomax spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. Lappine at their farm home west of Laclede.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. White left yesterday morning to visit their daughter, Mrs. Henry Lemm and family in Saline county.

Mrs. Stuart of Dalton visited her brother, Dr. Bonds, Mrs. Bonds and Baby Margaret here from Friday until Sunday.

Mrs. M. E. Buckler has returned to Laclede from spending the past year with her son, Wm. Bryant and family near Denver, Colo.

Mrs. J. U. Luyster went to Kansas City Monday for a visit with relatives and will visit in Oklahoma and Texas before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Watson spent the first of the week with the latter's parents near Linneus. They will leave next Wednesday for their future home in Chicago.

Misses Ida and Marie Welsh and Hazel Rankin were guests of Mrs. J. B. Jones and family in Chillicothe Wednesday and attended the fashion show given by the Chillicothe merchants.

C. J. Dray, proprietor of the Fairview Poultry Farm at Linneus, attended the poultry meeting here Tuesday. Mr. Dray makes a specialty of Barred Rocks and Single Comb White Leghorns.

Mr. and Mrs. John Napple left Tuesday to visit their sons, Willard and Clifford who are in cantonments in Georgia and New Jersey. Their daughter, Miss Milburn accompanied them.

Mr. and Mrs. Thornie T. Lamme are now at home on their farm north of Laclede, the work of remodeling the house that was interfered with by the weather, having been completed. THE BLADE will reach them each week over route two.

Mr. and Mrs. Cland Kuhn moved to their farm four miles north of Laclede last week, the latter's father, C. C. Haight, also removing to the farm to make his home with them. J. Paul Jones, has rented and moved into the Haight residence.